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## SHIPPING.

### ARRIVALS.

July 10. Amoco, British str., 970, Brown, Saigon 8th July, Rice. — A. Macd. Headon.

July 10. Giau, British ship, 1,713, Wm. H. Kidley, San Francisco 8th June, and Yokohama 2nd July, Mails and General O. & O. S. S. & Co.

July 10. Champion, British steamer, 765, H. P. Elms, Saigon 8th July, Rice.

July 10. Chinese.

July 10. Bonkirk Hay, British bark, 290, P. H. Nicolson, Whampoa 8th July, General Chinese.

### CLEARANCES.

At the HARBOUR Master's OFFICE, 11th July, 1877.

Pooh, German bark, for Whampoa.

Atlantic, German steamer, for Shanghai.

Contour, British steamer, for Saigon.

Osaka, British bark, for Bangkok.

Flewing, American ship, for New York.

Worm, British steamer, for Yokohama.

Wash, British steamer, for Haiphong.

### DEPARTURES.

July 10. Tanis, French steamer, for Yokohama.

July 10. Farschou, Passager, German str., for Nicolaipet.

July 10. Danube, British str., for Bangkok.

July 10. Brownie, American ship, for Piget Sound.

July 10. Alatana, Ger. str., for Shanghai.

July 10. Pano, French str., for Shanghai.

### PASSENGERS.

Arrived. Per Gaeo, str., from San Francisco and Yokohama.

Mr. G. B. Emory and 13 Chinese.

Per Charlton, str., from Saigon — 21 Chinese.

Departed. Per Tanis, str., for Yokohama —

Mr. J. Gardner Austin and one Japanese seaman.

To depart. Per Wash, str., for Haiphong — 50 Chinese.

### REPORTS.

The British steamship *Chu-ho* reports left Saigon on 5th July. The first part had moderate variable winds and heavy rain, and the latter part calm and dull weather.

The O. & O. steamship *Gloria* reports left San Francisco on 9th June, and had light variable winds to the Meridian, thence fresh S.W. and West winds to arrival. On 1st July experienced thick fog for four days off the Coast of Japan, lay-to for 11 hours waiting for it to clear up. Left Yokohama on 2nd July at 7 p.m., and had fine weather down. Arrived at Hongkong 10th July, and had light winds. The bark *Friendship*, 10th July, had in lat. 35° 27' N. and long. 130° 17' E. On 5th July at 2:30 returned the crew of six men from a disabled Lui-Kiu junk.

### YOKOHAMA SHIPPING.

Arrivals. 22. G. G. G. — 23. S. Bell, Dutch str., from Newcastle.

25. A. London, Swedish bark, from Newcastle.

25. Alaska, American str., from Hongkong.

26. Beller, British bark, from Nagasaki.

26. Juliana, Get. 3rd class, from Hamburg.

26. Nippon Maru, Japanese str., from Takao.

26. Abra, American str., from Shanghai.

26. Albatross, British str., from London.

June. Departures.

27. Alaska, American str., for San Francisco.

27. Tania, French steamer, for Hongkong.

27. Hinsong, Mern, Jap. str., for Shanghai.

27. Meti Maru, Jap. str., for South Coast.

28. Beller, British steamer, for S. Francisco.

SINGAPORE SHIPPING.

Arrivals. 27. Banca, British steamer, from Java.

27. Vilar, British steamer, from Bally.

27. Alfonso, German str., from Hamburg.

27. Pecat, British steamer, from Bangkok.

28. Kishibaru, Danish str., from Funag.

28. Windesbar, German str., from Bangkok.

29. R. Brooks, Sarawak str., from Sarawak.

29. Indian, Malay steamer, from Johors.

30. Scharkhorst, German bark, for Bangkok.

30. Three Brothers, Brit. bark, for Quinhon.

30. Beatrice, Italian bark, for London.

VESSES EXPECTED AT HONGKONG.

(Corrected to Date.)

Maid Marian. Dartmouth Feb. 1

Carissa. Cardiff Feb. 5

Maipo. Cardiff Feb. 11

D. Mc. Park. Sunderland Feb. 27

Heddie. Antwerp Mar. 5

Albatross. British bark, for Penang.

23. Glensfall, British steamer, for China.

23. Bentall, British steamer, for Churton.

23. Mohican, American bark, for Boston.

23. Star Queen, Brit. bark, for Hongkong.

27. Agnes, German bark, for Saigon.

27. Margot, German brig, for Marseilles.

27. Don Pedro, British bark, for Penang.

27. Dido, French bark, for Batavia.

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## EXTRACTS.

THE CLIMBING ROSE.  
Climb, oh! climb the golden ladder,  
Song of noise;  
Climb then dost reach her heart  
For whom I pine.

Come not, lest then loss the bliss  
For which I sigh;

Climb till then dost touch her heart  
All why not?

D. N. E., in the "Galaxy."

LA CUISINE DIPLOMATIQUE.

If I take they try to diminish.

Shall have to be served a *Rousse*.

And Europe is sure to remember.

The hint about scones for the goose;

Whilst Russia, the cook.

May certainly look.

To Europe to bring as her share.

A trifles at least.

To eat the least.

Voluntarily to finance!

—Watchful review.

KAENAK.

The road from Luxor crosses a stretch of wheat sown fields, past a few tall waving groups of palms, to a wide valley, on either side of which a row of formidable, weathered blocks of stone show a procession of sphinxes, half-a-mile in length, once led up to the stately propylæon of the temple of Karnak. They dismounted in the shade of the first great arch and wandered on among the ruins, passing through halls filled with massive granite columns, frayed with hieroglyphs and beaded with never-ending lines of ancient gods and goddesses; chambering over fallen blocks and prostrate capitals, until they emerged on a wide uneven expanse of glaring white sand, across which a hundred narrow foot-tracks led to that further temple where stands the famous Hall of Osiris.

A long triple row of gigantic pillars stand out, like the solemn aisle of a pine wood, on either side of the soft, wet path, at the farther end of which obelisks after obelisks rise from amid what seem the ruins of a primeval world. Wide blocks of stone, sixty or seventy feet in length, bridge the spaces between the columns overhead; here one of these blocks has fallen to the ground, and lies all carved and painted on the water-scaled earth; farther on two of the mighty piles have started from their places and lean irresolute against each other, as though waiting for some shock of sound to pierce the blue stillness of the sky and bid them and their fall. At the end of the hall a chaos of rough hewn stones lies heaped and piled about in monstrous confusion, reaching to where—far away—a small thin obelisk, grown small and delicate by distance, marks the boundary line of that last mass of ruins which shows the limit of Karnak's farthest temple. —*A Nil Novel.* By George Fleming.

MASSACRE OF DRONES.

This could not escape the notice of ancient naturalists. Pliny and others considered that the drones were stung to death by the workers; but their views of the habits of the insects are too much mixed with the fabulous, in fact they considered that the queen bees were males. This false belief prevailed to become an adept in the use of the axe. It is really a fine art to see a thorough axeman at work. How easily—almost without an effort, he would think—he swings the axe over his head, but every time brings it down within a hair's breadth of the right place! Not a blow is wasted. At every stroke a huge wedge-shaped chip flies off, and with a sound that makes the silent forest echo, the great tree shrivels, creases, and then crumbles to the ground, bringing along with it often a thickel of its smaller relatives, which have grown up under its shade. The work of an axeman is well calculated to bring into play all the muscles of the body. Accordingly, the physique of the Canadian and State of Maine men—who are all accustomed to this work—is splendid. Most of them are unusually tall, and without having that yellow sickly colour so common in the American workman. The lumberman who passes his life in active, healthy work, inhaling the reviving breath of the pine forest, has not an ounce of superfluous fat, while every muscle is developed to its normal size.

The axe used in chopping is a small one, of American make, with a long handle. The English manufacturers, though furnished with samples of this axe, do not seem to satisfy the demand in making it. The axe used in the woodmen's true woodland hardly knows what to do with his hands unless he has an axe in them. It seems indispensable to him, and it is a tool which he quickly and well uses. He cuts trees, builds roads, or builds houses with it. In cutting the pine, the lumberman likes most the axe, the sound of which, and when sitting in the summer evening in front of his often picturesquely situated house, can easily be heard, even at a distance of a mile.

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